# October 17, 2019

# RSC Meeting Minutes

**Called to order 9:06 a.m.**

**Steering Committee Members Present**

* Ron Leonard (AL), Director of Special Initiatives, Alabama Commission on Higher Education
* Alana Boles (AR), Program Director of Private Career and Out-of-State Education Arkansas Department of Higher Education
* Nicholas Buono (DE), Education Specialist, College Success Programs, Delaware Department of Education
* Karl Washington (FL), Director, Postsecondary Reciprocal Distance Education, Commission for Independent Education
* Kirk Shook (GA) Executive Director, Georgia Nonpublic Education Commission
* Sarah Levy (KY) Executive Director of Postsecondary Licensing, Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education
* LeAnn Detillier (LA), Assistant Commissioner for Programs Administration, Louisiana Board of Regents
* Terrence Scarborough (NC) Director of SARA-NC, North Carolina State Education Assistance Authority
* Theresa Gordon-McCown (MD), Director of Academic Affairs, Maryland Higher Education Commission
* Menia Dykes (MS), Director of Accreditation, Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning
* Kyle Foster (OK) Assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
* Gina Wetten (PA) Higher Education Associate II, Pennsylvania Department of Education
* David Baez (PR) Economic Program Analyst, Puerto Rico Board of Postsecondary Institutions
* Peggy Simons (SC) Program Coordinator, South Carolina Commission on Higher Education
* Julie Woodruff (TN) Assistant Executive Director of Postsecondary School, Tennessee Higher Education Commission
* Jessica Acton (TX) Program Director, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
* Sharlene Harris (VI) Vice President for Information Services & Institutional Assessment, University of the Virgin Island
* Darlene Derricott (VA) Director of Academic Services, State Council of Higher Education for Virginia
* Angela Lee (DC) Executive Director, Higher Education Licensure Commission
* Nikki Bryant (WV) Compliance Officer, West Virginia Higher Education Policy and Commission

**NC-SARA Staff Present**

* Marianne Boeke (CO), Associate Director, NC-SARA
* Jeannie Yockey-Fine (CO) Associate Director for Regulatory Relations and Policy, NC-SARA

**At-Large Members Present**

* Robert Keown (GA) Executive Director, Technical College System of Georgia
* Teri Spence (KY) Chancellor, Kentucky Community and Technical College System
* Sharon Spencer (MD) Assistant Vice Provost, Accreditation Compliance, University of Maryland Global Campus
* Kris Williams (PA), Director of Compliance, Penn State

**SREB Staff Present:**

* Wanda Barker, Director of Education Multistate and Cooperative Programs
* Elisa Jaden, SARA Program Coordinator
* Tiffany Harrison, Research Analyst

**Member(s) Absent:**

* Elise Scanlon (DC), Member At-large, General Counsel, Distance Education Accrediting Commission

**Greeting**

S-SARA Director, Wanda Barker, gave a special message and a moment of silence in remembrance of Texas SARA Coordinator, Rex Peebles.

**Welcome**

SREB President, Stephen Pruitt, gave a welcome message, then shared SREB organizational structure.

**Introductions**

Wanda Barker introduced the new S-SARA RSC Members.

* Bryson Barksdale, MD
* Kyle Foster, OK
* Ron Leonard, AL
* Elisa Scanlon, at-large (absent)
* Jessica Acton, TX (interim)

S-SARA RSC Chair, Angela Lee, called for the approval of the agenda.

Angela Lee facilitated the committee adopting the 2019 June RSC meeting minutes.

**NC-SARA Update**

* Jeannie Yockey-Fine shared Lori Williams’ notes.
* Marianne Boeke talked about data.

**State Renewals**

* Alabama – Ron Leonard
	+ Approved Unanimously
* Florida – Karl Washington
	+ Approved Unanimously
* Georgia – Kirk Shook
	+ Approved Unanimously
* Maryland – Bryson Barksdale
	+ Approved Unanimously
* Mississippi – Menia Dykes
	+ Approved Unanimously
* Texas – Jessica Acton
	+ Approved Unanimously

**State Reports**

* Virginia – Darlene Derricott
* Kentucky – Sarah Levy
* Louisiana – LeAnn Detillier
* West Virginia – Mark Stotler
* Pennsylvania – Gina Wetten
* Puerto Rico – David Baez
* North Carolina – Terrence Scarborough
* Tennessee – Julie Woodruff
* Virgin Islands – Sharlene Harris
* Oklahoma – Kyle Foster
* Delaware – Nick Buono
* South Carolina – Stacey Price
* Arkansas – Alana Boles
* District of Columbia – Angela Lee

**Working Groups**

Wanda Barker stated that working group outcome items are due 1 month prior to the next meeting date.

* Training and Development Working Group Report – Darlene Derricott
	+ Create a cheat sheet
	+ Have something in place by June
* Policy and Administration Working Group Report – Elizabeth Walker
	+ Choose policy topics
	+ Make decisions after fall board meeting
	+ Meet in November to submit plan to SREB
* Communications Working Group Report – Kyle Foster
	+ S-SARA Listserv
	+ Instructions on use
	+ Guidelines on content

**Other Business**

* June 2nd and 3rd in Nashville, Tennessee
* AC Marriott Hotel, Downtown Nashville

**Meeting adjourned at 2:49 p.m.**